Addendum No. 4

RFQU2208ERA

Emergency Response Assistance for the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality

*You must reference your company's receipt and understanding of this amendment in the cover letter of your company's proposal. *

Pre-proposal Conference Q&A

	RFP Section	RFP Page	Question	Response
1	N/A	N/A	Are there other agencies which will be involved in dispatching response companies? How will DEQ interact with those agencies?	Idaho State Communications will serve as a central dispatch, they will receive the calls and an incident commander will coordinate a response with DEQ, Emergency Management, ISP, local law enforcement and ITD if it's by a transportation corridor.
2	N/A	N/A	Does DEQ prefer an individual to contact or a dispatch operator?	DEQ would be working through State Communications. Vendor contact number should provide 24-hour coverage, 365 days a year.
3	N/A	N/A	Compensation for services will be paid by DEQ?	Yes
4	N/A	N/A	Are there funds available for when the source of the spill cannot pay?	Yes

5	N/A	N/A	Will there be any oil spill modeling in the water bodies under this contract? Geographic Response plans?	The main intent of this contract is to obtain emergency response during a release situation. Oil spill modeling in water bodies may be requested from contractor but is not a required component of the contract. DEQ also has modeling capabilities.
6	N/A	N/A	Will Traffic Control Permits be facilitated by the responding contractor?	In most cases it will be ISP, local law enforcement and ITD coordinating this. There may be some situations where extended traffic control may be requested from contractor.
7	N/A	N/A	Will it be acceptable for the responding contractor to do initial containment and obtaining traffic control permits later?	Yes
8	N/A	N/A	Is it acceptable to have brokers instead of Subcontractors carry out the work?	We have no preference.
9	N/A	N/A	How many different companies do you want to have a relationship with?	We are looking to do multiple awards based on resources and timeliness on a rotating basis. But proximity will be the prime factor.
10	N/A	N/A	Your response time is from 2 to 12 hours, you would want it on the lower end.	Yes, response times will be communicated in the task order.
11	N/A	N/A	Do you expect a true hazmat response with full level A PPE?	Yes, the contractor should have this capability since some hazmat responses may require full level A PPE but not all response require this level of response.
12	N/A	N/A	Is it OK for the responding contractor vehicles to be labeled with company logos?	Yes, we have no concern with that.

13	N/A	N/A	Will the responding contractor have a general generation authorization from the DEQ prior to clean up?	This would be part of the task order.
14	N/A	N/A	Do you have a preference of where materials would go?	As long as it would go to a facility authorized to accept the waste. No state preference, transportation costs could be significant.
15	N/A	N/A	Will DEQ be the signing party to each profile or just authorize that it went somewhere appropriate?	We would just verify that it went somewhere appropriate.
16	N/A	N/A	After the initial emergency response contractor shows up and contains the spill will DEQ retain the contractor for complete remediation?	It would depend on the situation. If the RP has the ability to manage the remediation phase, the RP will assume this responsibility. There may be some situations where the contractor will be tasked with the remediation phase. This will be detailed in the task order or amended task order.
17	N/A	N/A	Are there corridors where incidents usually happen?	State Highway 12 and Interstate 84.
18	N/A	N/A	Will the contract staff give feedback on performance?	The project manager will assess performance through quarterly monitoring reports. Feedback is given when an issue arises.
19	N/A	N/A	How many incidents does DEQ see per year?	Since this service has never been done before we estimate 10 per year.
20	N/A	N/A	Where is waste being stored pending analytical results?	That will be incident specific. It may be temporarily on or off site.
21	N/A	N/A	Are you looking for hourly or daily rates?	Hourly.
22	N/A	N/A	What are the judgement criteria for response time?	We are using a two phase process where the first phase is qualifications based and the second phase will be an RFP which has a price component.

23	N/A	N/A	Will there be leeway for weather related incidents in terms of increased response time for road conditions?	We will take weather conditions into consideration in the task orders.
24	N/A	N/A	Will there be a third party to verify completion of projects?	DEQ would oversee projects. Initially the incident commander will be on site for the emergency phase. The remediation phase may have a different contractor. DEQ staff may visit the incident to verify activities identify in the task order are completed.
25	Appendix B	15	Appendix B, DISPOSAL Public Utilities Commission certification? If we do not have that certification but can obtain the certification is that acceptable?	Vendors need to obtain that certification it would be a condition of the contract. Certification will be needed prior to the start of a specific project or subcontract this work with a company that has the required certification.
26	N/A	N/A	Disposal can also be done through a subcontractor?	Yes
27	N/A	N/A	Is there a certification for groundwater and soil sampler in Idaho?	No, we just make sure the person has the knowledge, experience and qualifications to do so.
28	N/A	N/A	For the next phase of the solicitation will there be any in-person meetings?	None are planned due to current COVID regulations.
29	N/A	N/A	Question currently being addressed in Addendum 3	To be answered in Addendum 3